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SUBJECT: US-POLISH BILATERAL RELATIONS--I: VISIT
OF HEW SECRETARY WEINBERGER

REFS: (A) WARSAW 3547; (B) STATE 140321

1. VICE FOREIGN MINISTER SPASOWSKI INITIATED OUR MEETING TODAY BY REFERRING TO THE DISCUSSION WE HAD HAD ON JULY 19 ABOUT SECRETARY WEINBERGER'S PLAN TO VISIT POLAND. HE SAID HE WISHED TO REPEAT HIS INITIAL STATEMENT DURING THAT DISCUSSION, I.E., THAT SECRETARY WEINBERGER WOULD BE MOST WELCOME. THE POLES WISH TO CONTINUE THE TRADITIONAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THIS FIELD OF HEALTH. FINALLY, HE SAID, HE WOULD HOPE THAT THIS VISIT WOULD FACILITATE A RETURN TO THE NORMAL PRACTICE WITH REGARD TO MINISTERIAL VISITS. CONSEQUENTLY, SPASOWSKI SAID, THE EMBASSY SHOULD BEGIN TO DISCUSS WITH THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH THE PROGRAM FOR SECRETARY WEINBERGER'S VISIT. SPASOWSKI HAD TALKED YESTERDAY WITH MINISTER SLIWINSKI AND HAD GIVEN HIM THE ESSENTIAL INFORMATION WITH REGARD TO THE DATES OF THE VISIT. SLIWINSKI WILL BE IN SWITZERLAND MOST OF AUGUST, BUT WILL RETURN ON AUGUST 25 IN ORDER TO RECEIVE SECRETARY WEINBERGER.

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2. IN ORDER TO BE SURE THAT I HAD FULLY UNDERSTOOD

HIM, I ASKED SPASOWSKI WHETHER THIS MEANT THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WAS NOT EXPECTING ANY FURTHER WORD FROM US IN THIS MATTER. HE SAID IT WAS NOT. HE SAID THAT AMBASSADOR TRAMPCZYNSKI WAS BEING INFORMED AND WOULD PRESUMABLY MENTION THE MATTER TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESEL AT THEIR MEETING AUGUST 1.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: I ASSUME THERE IS NO CHANGE IN OUR INTENTION TO PROCEED WITH SECRETARY WEINBERGER'S VISIT. UNLESS WE ARE OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED OVERNIGHT, THE EMBASSY'S SCIENCE ATTACHE WILL SEEK AN APPOINTMENT TOMORROW MORNING AT THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH TO BEGIN PLANNING THE VISIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF B, TO WHICH WE WILL PROVIDE A DETAILED ANSWER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
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